श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव : सभापति महोदय, मैं मंत्री महोदय से यह जानना चाहता हूं कि जब विश्व स्तर पर खेल होते हैं तो हमारे खिलाड़ी उस स्तर पर आ नहीं सकते । इसलिये जब आप देश में खेलों को विकसित करना चाहते हैं तो क्या आप इस बात को नजर में रखेंगे ताकि आगे आने वाले सियोल खेलों में हमारे खिलाड़ी उस स्तर तक आ सकें ?

श्री पी० वी० नरसिंह राव : सभापति महोदय, यही तो दृष्टिकोण है । इसी को ध्यान में रखते हुए सारा किया जा रहा है । निचले स्तर शुरू कर के स्कूलों के स्तर से शुरू कर के राष्ट्रीय स्तर तक इस चीज को बढ़ाने की कोशिश हो रही है । उसके लिए पैसा खर्च किया जा रहा है इन्फ्रास्ट्रक्चर तैयार किया जा रहा है ।

MR. CHAIRMAN; Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Protocol Signed with Belgium by Shipping Corporation of India

*363. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Shipping Corporation of India has signed a Protocol with Belgium for cooperation in the field of shipping; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT!: (a) and (b) Shipping Corporation of India has signed a commercial agreement with Continental Lines NV. Shipping Company of Belgium. Under the arrangement break bulk cargo from Ports of Mexico, Brazil and Argentina will be loaded on the Belgium Lines vessels under the SCI Bill of Lading on payment of a berthing commission to SCI.

Modernisation of Railway Stations

*364. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to modernise some of the old railway stations; and

(b) if so, whether any railway station in Assam has been included in the proposed, modernisation scheme of railway stations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Modernisation of Railway Sta tions including upgradation of pas senger amenities provided therein, is an ongoing exercise throughout Indi an Railways. This exercise is equally applicable to various stations in Assam.

Occupancy rate of hotels of Hotel Corporation of India

*366. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH-SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION he pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that room occupancy of hotels under the Hotel Corporation of India, a subsidiary of Air-India has declined during the first 10 months of the current year as compared to the corresponding period of 1986;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and the reasons therefor